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[Library of the Supreme Council
of Scottish Freemasonry]

See Also : Iowa Masonic Library

October 15, 1931.

Edward A. King, Esq.
P. O. Box 546
Pittsburg, Pa.

Dear Mr. King:

Sometime ago, we had turned over to us the remainders of Dr. Marvin's "Supplement to the Medals of the Masonic Fraternity". This Supplement, which is more than half as large as the original work, appeared in sections in the American Journal from 1888 to 1910. You doubtless know of it, but if you do not, I should be very glad to have a copy sent you, in order to enable you to form your opinion. The question on which we should value your aid is whether this Supplement is of sufficient importance to Masons to warrant our offering it for sale, as the proceeds would go toward the building up of our library - for binding and such matters. You will understand how glad I should be to have you respond in the affirmative. Your book on the "Masonic Chapter Pennies" is of course my reason for having laid the matter before you.

Very sincerely yours,

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Secretary

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October 17th., 1931.

Mr Sydney P. Noe Secretary.
The American Numismatic Society
New York N.Y.

Dear Mr Noe:-

Your letter sent to Pittsburgh just reached me here.
I have been in Philadelphia this week attending the Grand Lodge anniversary,
but was in New York Wednesday. I will be here until after the meeting of
the Supreme Council, or about the 24th.

I do not feel competent to answer your question at this
time, but will consult W.L. Boyden 33°, Librarian of this Supreme Council,
Louis Block 33° S.G.T.G. in Iowa, Bro. Hugo Tatsch of N.Y., formerly of the
Iowa Masonic Library, and others who are authors and librarians. After
obtaining a consensus of opinion I will be glad to write to you again,
but please allow me a little time, as this coming week will be a very busy
one.

Thanking you for remembering me and with kind regards to
Mr Wood and yourself, I am

Very truly yours,

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P.O. Box 546

Pittsburgh, Penn'a/

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October 19, 1931.

Mr. E. A. King
Library of the Supreme Council
1733 16th St. N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. King:

Thank you very much for your letter of October 17th. There is no great hurry and I trust you will therefore postpone answering my question until it is entirely convenient for you to take the matter up. We appreciate your consulting those you name, as well as your own personal interest.

Very sincerely yours,

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Secretary

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Mr Sydney P. Noe Secretary
The American Numismatic Society
Broadway at 156th Street
New York N.Y.

My dear Mr Noe:-

Owing to illness of myself and family, and two calls to distant points to attend funerals of Masonic brethren, my promised reply to your letter has been delayed.

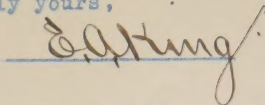
Up to this time, I have talked personally with J. Hugo Tatsch of the Macey P. & M.S. Co., of New York.
Harold V. B. Voorhis of New Jersey.
Wm. L. Boyden Librarian of the Supreme Council of Washington.
Sam H. Goodwin Secretary the Grand Lodge of Utah.
John Allen and Ray Schutte of North Carolina.
Wm. Paterson, Ass't Librarian of the Grand Lodge of Penn'a.

The unanimous opinion of these and others, whose opinion on this subject I consider of value is to the effect that the most you could expect to do would be to sell about twenty-five copies. There might also be a few others that we did not count upon, such as unknown collectors. There are at present less than ten bona fide collectors of Masonic coins and medals in the United States, and I do not personally know of over six.

My honest opinion is that unless you care to do this work as a labor of love, it would not pay. Any further information I can add at any time, will gladly do so at your request.

With every good wish to Mr Wood and yourself, I am

Sincerely yours,



Peoples Bank Building
Pittsburgh, Penn'a.

EAK/S

November 23, 1931.

Mr. E. A. King
P. O. Box 546
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Mr. King:

Thank you for your very helpful letter just received. I appreciate the very considerable amount of trouble you have taken to formulate the judgment you express - this is a judgment that I had anticipated. When I first looked into the matter, I had the impression that there were copies of the original volume as well as the supplement, which would have made considerable difference. We hope that you will give us the pleasure of greeting you when you are in New York.

Very sincerely yours,

EN:JC

Secretary